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July 15, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REJECT BIDS
PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000899
PACOIMA DAM AERIAL TRAMWAY PLATFORMS
AT DRIVE TERMINAL AND TOWER 1
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Reject all bids received on May 4, 2004, for Project ID No. FCC0000899, Pacoima Dam Aerial Tramway Platforms at Drive Terminal and Tower 1.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

To ensure that representative and competitive bids are received for the construction of two maintenance platforms for the Pacoima Dam aerial tram.

On May 4, 2004, three bids were received for the work of this contract. The apparent low bid is 90 percent above the engineer's estimate. Since this bid is substantially higher than the estimate, we believe that rejecting all bids is in the best interest of the County. The project will be readvertised in the future and may be combined with other work to encourage more contractors to bid.

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A certified record of receipt of the bids and the original bid proposals as submitted by the bidders are enclosed.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goals of Service Excellence and Fiscal Responsibility since it will allow Public Works to rebid this project to construct the platforms at the lowest cost possible.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The cost to readvertise this project will be minimal and will be offset by savings in construction costs.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The "Instructions to Bidders" included in the bid documents provides for the rejection of all bids by your Board if such action is in the best interest of the County.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This action has no environmental impact.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The delay in constructing this project will have little or no long-term impact on current services.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
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